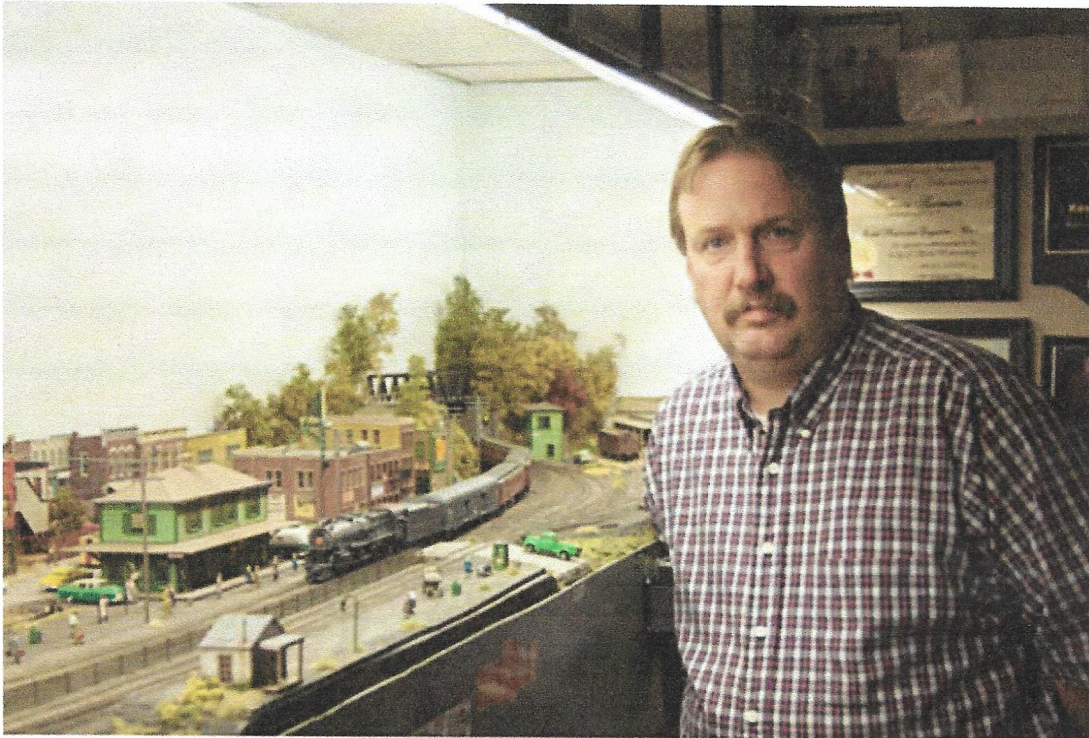




Kevin at Matawan; certificates and awards behind & overhead

Kevin Surman models the New York & Long Branch RR, a short line that was jointly owned by the Central RR of New Jersey and the Pennsylvania RR, in the late 1950s. There are several videos online. A Google search while locate many images and videos of Kevin's work.

Kevin says that he had trains as a kid but a visit to the New York Society of Model Engineers (modelengineers.org) really got him hooked. The HO and O-scale layouts were great but the overhead catenary and third rail of the O-scale was most interesting. Kevin was ready for his own layout and started building it shortly after moving his family into their current home in 1996. Again his wit and wisdom showed, in that, when asked how he started his layout, Kevin replied, "I just started nailing down track on a piece of plywood." (That answer was good insight – start; start someplace; don't worry and try to figure everything out- you will change your mind several times during the construction of your railroad and once you start you will build energy to continue.)